

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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For: METAL HALIDE LAMP AND  
LIGHTING DEVICE USING THIS

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Costa Mesa, California 92626

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sirs:

Prior to the examination of the merits of the above-identified application, please amend  
the above-identified Application as follows: